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DAVID REES

OF

LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED;

AND

THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN REES, HIS SON.

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PREFACE.

It is my purpose in this and subsequent compilations to treat of the Rees and Griffin families, of Kent county, Delaware. Intermarriages between them were so frequent that it is often difficult to determine accurately the degree of relationship without the aid of a genealogist.

These families were, while they lived in Delaware, farmers, and they styled themselves in their wills yeomen and planters. Living on the small tidal streams of that state, many of them built saw and grist mills and operated them in connection with their farming.

The dispersion of the families began shortly after the close of the Revolutionary War. There were several distinct waves of emigration, the first extending to the western part of Pennsylvania. They are now scattered along the middle belt of states to the Pacific ocean. What occasioned the emigration it is difficult at this length of time to determine, but that it has operated to the preservation of the families, I believe, is evident. This may be made clear by comparing the size of the families of the western emigrants, and their longevity, with those that were born and died in Delaware. The unhealthy conditions surrounding the early settlers in that tide-water state seemed rapidly working to their extinction.

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INTRODUCTION.

It is not known satisfactorily who were the parents of David Rees, of Little Creek hundred. A search was made to discover them in the parish registers of Montgomeryshire, and, as a result, we are furnished with what may be a clue, and are justified in the hope that a future search with our present knowledge may lead to better developments. The dates given below might well be the date of birth and of a first marriage of David Rees, of Little Creek. This belief is supported by the documentary evidence found in this country.

Montgomeryshire belongs to the diocese of St. Asaph, in Flintshire. The registers were examined in that cathedral town. They comprised the parishes of Aberhafesp, Berriew, Bettws, Llandyssel, Llanllwchairn, Llanllugan, Llanllyan, Llanmyewig, Llanwydelan, Manavon, Newtown and Tregynon. These are in the southeastern part of the county, and comprise the bishopric, or manor, of Cedewain. They all are within a few miles of Newtown and Montgomery, from where, it is supposed, the letter which David Rees brought to the church on the Welsh Tract was dated. The records were carefully examined from 1680 to 1720 for evidence of his birth or marriage, or for the birth of his children. The reg-

ister of the parish of Montgomery is very defective, the records between the dates named being missing. It was found that the name of Rees was not a common one in that part of Montgomeryshire. In all the period examined there were only two births of a David Rees recorded, and but one of these could by any probability have been David of Little Creek. The one excluded was David, son of David Rees, a pauper, of the parish of Llandyssel, born in 1716, a date too late for the birth of David of Little Creek.

The other David was the son of William and Margaret Rees, of the parish of Manavon (sometimes spelled Manafon). These were their children, as given in the register:

- 1686. Owen, baptized 27 day of June.
- 1689. David, born 8 day of March; baptized 12 day, same month.
- 1691. Rees, born 5 day of October; baptized the same day; buried the 13 October, 1691.
- 1694. Mary, born 8 day of April; baptized 9 day, same month.
- 1695. William, born 7 of 10ber (Dec.); baptized 10 day, same month.

There were, likewise, recorded the marriages of two of this name, both of the parish of Llanllwchairn, as follows:

1710. David Rees and Margaret Pugh, of Llanllw-chairn, married 9 May.

1716. David Rees and Catharine Thickins, married
1 May. [David, of Little Creek, had a
son grown of age in 1734.]

For the purpose of demonstrating how the above dates conform to known facts in the life of David Rees, of Little Creek, it is here assumed that he was born in the parish of Manavon, 8 March, 1689, and married, (1), 9 May, 1710, in Llanllwchairn, Margaret Pugh. He would have been in his 22d year when he married, and in his 44th year at the time of his emigration. The register of Llanllwchairn records the baptism of Richard, son of David Rees and Margaret, his wife, 18 January, 1710 (O.S). No record of the birth of other children, or of a second marriage, has been found. These, however, may yet be discovered in some other parish.

William Rees, son of David, of Little Creek, was certainly 21 years old, or more, in November, 1734, when he received a warrant for a grant of land in Little Creek hundred. He could, therefore, have been born to David and Margaret Rees, of Llanllw-chairn. Had he been born in 1712 he would have been in his 22d year at the time he received his grant of land. William Rees, of Little Creek, named two of his children William and Margaret. This is corroborative evidence that he was the grandson of William and Margaret Rees, of Manavon.

David Rees died between 1752 and 1755, as will

be seen later. He, therefore, would have been about 65 years old had he been born in 1689. What evidence is there that he was a man so well advanced in years at the time of his death? Only this, that he acted as an aged man would in preparing for that event some years before it occurred. In 1749 he is found deeding his property "for love and good will" to his younger sons. They were probably children by a second wife whom he wished to secure in the possession of his lands. Neither will nor letters of administration are recorded at Dover. If he disposed of his property before death neither were necessary.

DAVID AND MARY REES, OF LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED.¹

In the Church-book ² of the Welsh Tract Baptist church, of Pencader hundred, New Castle county, Delaware, it is recorded that: "Abel Morgan was baptized ye 31 of March, 1733. The same day was David Rees received by letter from Mountgymru."

Besides the David Rees of Little Creek hundred, the records show two others of this name among the early settlers of

Kent county, that might be mistaken for our ancestor.

David Rees, of Duck Creek hundred, was the son of John Rees, of the same hundred. He died 12 February, 1727-8, as is shown by his nuncupative will, wherein are mentioned a brother Evan, sisters Hester and Martha, and wife Mary. The latter was, probably, the daughter of John Hillyard, for, on the 13 May, 1723, he conveyed to David Rees and Mary, his wife, for "love, good-will," etc., a tract of land on the south side of the main Southwest branch of Little Duck creek, a part of the grant called "Exchange." David Rees, of Duck Creek hundred, died, it may be seen, before David Rees, of Little Creek hundred, came to the county.

The other David Rees was of Dover hundred. He, although a cotemporary with David Rees, of Little Creek hundred, antedated him in the county. On 10 November, 1729, he purchased from the town commissioners a lot in Dover. With the exception of one tract of marsh land in Dover hundred, all his conveyances were town lots in Dover. His wife was named Evis. He was probably related to John Rees, "innholder," who is recorded as "of Dover," 12 August, 1725, and whose wife was

named Ann.

² Now in the possession of George W. Lindsay, cashier of the National Bank of Newark, Del.

"By vertue of ye same letter, Wm Rees, son of ye said David Rees, admitted to have a transient communion for a time."

This last entry is cancelled by two diagonal lines. Further on in the book it is recorded that: "Evan Rees and John Watson and John Cokeral was baptized Aug^t 2, 1735."

"The same day was Wm Rees received in full communion by vertue of a letter from Mountgymru, bearing date June ye 15, 1735."

The last entry in this church-book which has reference to this family is as follows: "Edwin Veazy was baptized Aug^t 2, 1746. The same day was the two sons of David Rees (viz) Thomas and John; also John James at the same time."

Welsh antiquarians are agreed that the place called here "Mountgymru" was meant for Montgomery. The Baptist Society of Montgomery, Pennsylvania, constituted themselves a church in 1719, and it has been suggested that David Rees's membership might have been transferred by letter from this church, and not from a church in Montgomeryshire, Wales. It seems very improbable that this was the case. Whatever may have been the rea-

³ John Hobson Matthews, of Cardiff, Wales, writes that it is safe to assume this word to be a Welsh form of Montgomery. Continuing, he says: "It would be natural to a Welshman in the last century [eighteenth] to suppose that the second half of the same was akin to Cymru (in apposition Cymru), the Welsh for Wales, pronounced 'Cumry.'"

son for the action taken by the members of the Welsh Tract church in the case of William Rees, it is evident that their scruples were removed by the second letter received from "Mountgymru," more than two years after the reception of the first. Had he come from Montgomery, Pennsylvania, it is not probable that this long interval would have elapsed before the matter was righted. The places are not far apart, and communication was easy and frequent; while communication with Wales at that time was very infrequent and slow, as may be seen by the date of the second letter and the time it was received by the church—from June 15 to August 2 of the same year.

We may, therefore, safely conclude that David Rees came from the county of Montgomery, North Wales, in 1733, and that his letter was dated from the small town of Montgomery, near the English boundary.⁴

His next movement is recorded by Morgan Edwards. In the "History of the Baptists in Delaware" ("Pennsylvania Magazine of History and

⁴ The first non-conformist church in Montgomeryshire was established at Llanbrynmair between 1640 and 1650. The next center tor the dissemination of non-conformity was in the southeastern part of the county, and owed its existence to the religious fervor of Vavasour Powell, a Baptist, who died in 1670. The earliest branch churches were at Newtown and Aberhafesp, both being places near Montgomery. About 1732 the branch at Newtown became a separate church; while that at Aberhafesp remained a branch of the central church at Llan-

Biography," Vol. IX., p. 202), he writes, that: "The tract which is known, at present [1790], by the name of Duck Creek hundred was settled in the year 1733 by a number of Welsh families, some of the Independent and some of the Baptist denomination . . . The Baptist families . . . were about nine; the names of the heads of them were James Hyatt, Nathaniel Wild, David Evan, Evan Rees, David Rees, James Howel, Evan David Hughs and Joshua Edwards. These Baptist families came hither from the Welsh Tract, and were members of that church."

The emigration here mentioned may have been the first settlement of the western end of Duck Creek hundred—of that part now known as Kenton hundred, which was formed from the western parts of Duck Creek and Little Creek hundreds at a much later date. The Welsh settlers bought land in the neighborhood of Kenton, and between that town and Dover, some of them settling in what was then Little Creek hundred. Bryn Zion church—the oldest offshoot from the parent church in the Welsh Tract—was afterwards built as their place of worship.

brynmair for some time longer. The early non-conformists had no buildings for divine worship, but met in the dwellings of the members. It was not until near the end of the century that they began to build chapels.

There are no means of finding out from which church David Rees came, but it would seem probable that it was either the Newtown or Aberhafesp church. The latter is at present located at Rhydfelen, where a chapel was built in 1790. There are no non-parochial registers as early as 1733.

The settlement of the eastern part of Duck Creek hundred was independent of this movement of the Welsh, and was made by the Quakers at the place where the King's road crosses Duck creek. The records of their meetings show that they were settled there as early as 1705. In 1714, Benjamin Shurmer, a Quaker, in the employ of some merchants of Bristol, England, founded a colony in this region for the purpose of growing hemp.

The earliest deed of which there is any record in the office of the Register of Deeds, at Dover, in which the name of David Rees, of Little Creek hundred, appears as one of the parties in the transaction, bears the date of 10 August, 1733. He then bought of Thomas Alston 100 acres of land on Alston's branch, in Little Creek hundred. This date, therefore, confirms that given by Morgan Edwards, and shows that David Rees did not remain long in New Castle county, but continued on down into Kent, where he settled, and where his sons are known to have lived. There is no disagreement, therefore, between the church-book, the historian and the land records as to the time and place of settlement.

Among the land records belonging to this part of Little Creek hundred there are eleven transfers in which the name of David Rees appears as one of the parties. His first purchase, the date and location of which has already been given, he conveyed, 12 May, 1737, to Ralph Winterston and James Keith. 16

August, 1739, he purchased from Christopher Bradshaw 200 acres of land. 1 August, 1749, David Rees, with Mary, his wife, conveyed to son John, for "good will and affection," 200 acres of land in Little Creek hundred (probably the tract purchased from Christopher Bradshaw in 1739). 10 February, 1743, he purchased from Benjamin Johnson 118 acres in Little Creek hundred, on the south side of the Southwest branch of Dover creek. 1 August, 1749, he, with wife Mary, conveyed to son Thomas Rees, for "good will and affection," the 118 acres purchased from Benjamin Johnson. 7 April, 1749, he, with William Rees (son), bought of Preston Berry and Grace, his wife (daughter of Thomas Williams), 245 acres in Little Creek hundred, on the north side of the northernmost branch of Dover river. On the same date he bought of William Rees 1221 acres (partition sale of the tract purchased jointly with William Rees, from Preston and Grace Berry). 26 February, 1752, he conveyed to John Rees, son of said David, 1221 acres (his half of the joint purchase). 9 February, 1747, he bought of Magdalen and Gabriel Townsend 110 acres in Little Creek hundred. 8 February, 1749, he bought of Magdalen Townsend, widow of Gabriel Townsend, 160 acres in Little Creek hundred. These last two tracts of land have not been accounted for. It does not appear that any of his holdings were outside the hundred in which he lived. His last transaction is

dated 26 February, 1752, when he deeded to his son John the $122\frac{1}{2}$ acres. He is recorded as having purchased in all $810\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land, of which he conveyed to his son John $322\frac{1}{2}$ acres, and to his son Thomas 118 acres. There remain 270 acres for which no deed of conveyance has been found. The tract purchased jointly with William Rees was called "Liverpool," and was subject to a further conveyance, 26 February, 1752, between Preston Berry, blacksmith, and Grace, his wife, and William Rees, son of William (who died in 1750), and John Rees, son of David.

On 2 January, 1748, David Rees and Mary Rees witnessed the will of James Howell,⁵ of Duck Creek hundred.

On the 15 February, 1755, Mary Rees, widow of David Rees, released her dower rights to sons Thomas and John. The date of David Rees's death, therefore, is between the 26 February, 1752, the date of his last conveyance, and the 15 February, 1755, when his widow released her dower rights. It does not appear from the probate records at Dover that either David or Mary Rees left a will, or that letters of administration were granted on their

⁵ Morris Howell, son of James Howell, married Eleanor Rees, daughter of Evan Rees, the head of one of the nine families that first settled Kenton hundred. For further information concerning the Howell family see the Griffin family, under Matthew Griffin, who married Lydia, daughter of James Howell.

estates after their deaths. It seems probable, therefore, that he conveyed all his property to his sons Thomas and John before his death. There is no record of any conveyance to either William or Jeremiah, although both were large land owners. It may be surmised that they were children by another wife; and that Thomas and John were sons of Mary.

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- (2) I. William, born ——; died in 1750; married Elizabeth Alston.
- (3) II. Jeremiah, born ——; died in 1757; married Rachel Greenwood.
- (4) III. Thomas, born ——; died in 1760; married ——.
- (5) IV. John, born ——; died in 1769; married Esther ——.
- (2) WILLIAM REES (David) born—; died November, 1750; married ELIZABETH ALSTON, daughter of Israel and Sarah Alston.

CHILDREN.

(From will.)

- (6) I. David, born —.
- (7) II. William, born ——.
- (8) III. Sarah, born —.

⁶ From church-book, probate and land records.

- (9) IV. Jonathan, born —.
- (10) V. Margaret, born ——; died in 1756; unmarried. Letters of administration upon the estate of Margaret Rees, late of Kent county, spinster, were granted to David Rees, 13 September, 1756.

(11) VI. Hannah, born —.

William Rees's will is dated 9 December, 1749, and was probated 16 November, 1750. He styles himself therein, "planter." It mentions wife, Elizabeth Rees; oldest son, David Rees; son, William Rees; daughter, Sarah Rees; son, Jonathan Rees; brothers, John Rees and Thomas Rees; daughter, Margaret Rees (in the order here given). He mentions three daughters, but gives the names of only two. In a codicil, dated 11 November, 1750, he directs that his son David be bound to William Inion [William Eynon, son of Eynon Griffith], of New Castle county, to learn the trade of tanning and shoemaking; his daughter Sarah to live with her grandmother, Sarah Alston; his son William to live with his uncle, John Rees; to his daughters Margaret and Hannah he gives six pounds, and to Jonathan six pounds. These three children, he directs, are to live with their mother, Elizabeth Rees.

It is probable that William Rees was married shortly after his arrival in this country. The

Alstons were Quakers, and were among the earliest settlers of Kent county. On 9 November, 1734, a warrant was issued at Philadelphia to William Rees, of Little Creek hundred, for a tract of land, situated in the same hundred, called "Bayliff's Hill," containing 200 acres. As the records of the hundred show no other William Rees owning land there at that time, it is very probable that he was the son of David. He is already mentioned as having a half interest in another tract of 245 acres, purchased jointly with his father in 1749. His connection with the church of the Welsh Tract has also been noted.

(3) JEREMIAH REES (David), born —; died 1757; married Rachel Greenwood, daughter of Phineas Greenwood.

CHILDREN.

(From will.)

(12) I. Abel, born ——; died in 1765; married Rebecca ——. Letters of administration upon the estate of Abel Rees were granted to Rebecca, his widow 13 October, 1765.

⁷ In a deed, dated 13 February, 1755, Jeremiah Rees's wife is named Rachel [O-1-278]. August, 1757, Rachel Rees (widow), daughter of Phineas Greenwood, released her right to personal property in her father's estate to her sister Sarah, and her husband, John Robinson [P-1-26].

- (13) II. Daughter.
- (14) III. Daughter.
- (15) IV. Daughter.
- (16) V. Daughter.

WILL OF JEREMIAH REES.

In the name of God, Amen, the twelfth day of December, Anno Domini, 1756, I, Jeremiah Rees, of Little Creek Hundred and County of Kent, being very sick and low in health (but of a sound and disposing mind and memory, blessed be God) do make and ordain this my last will and testament, and in manner and form following, viz:

First: I recommend my spirit to the hands of God through the merits of Christ, and my body to be decently interred according to the discretion of my executors, hereafter named.

Item: It is my will that all of my just debts and funeral expenses be paid and satisfied.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife a third of all of my moveable estate and a negro wench called Black Mell.

Item: I give, bequeath and devise to my son Abell Rees the place or plantation that I now live on, to him, his heirs and assigns forever, and a negro man called Bob, with his wife called Mary.

Item: I give, bequeath and devise three hundred and sixtyone acres of land to be equally divided between my four daughters, and likewise one negro wench and three negro boys to be equally divided between my four daughters.

Item: I give to my brother John Rees one brown coat and new blue jacket and breeches to the same.

Item: I give to Hannah Rees, my niece, thirty shillings.

Item: It is my will and I do order it here in my last will and testament and the remainder of my estate to be equally divided between my above named son Abell and my four daughters.

Finally: I give to my brother Thomas Rees an old plush coat, jacket and leather breeches, whom I also do, with my son Abell Rees, nominate, constitute and appoint to be sole executors of this my last will and testament.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

JEREMIAH REES.

Witnesses:

Thomas Murphy Catherine Davis John Lewis.

Probated at Dover, 31 January, 1757.

He is recorded as having bought the following lands in Little Creek hundred: 10 May, 1745, from Jonas Greenwood, 50 acres on the south side of the S. W. Branch of Duck creek; 15 August, 1754, from Sterling and Crozier, 412\frac{3}{4} acres on the northwest side of Wilson's branch; 12 February, 1752, 120 acres from Thomas Parke, sheriff. [N-1-65. O-1-247. O-1-125.]

Hannah Rees, his niece, mentioned in will, was a daughter of William Rees.

(4) Thomas Rees (David), born —; died in 1760; married —.

CHILDREN.

- (17) I. Nathan, born ——; died ——, without issue.
- (18) II. Sarah, born ——; died ——; married Joseph David.

The will of Thomas Rees, of Little Creek hundred, is dated 6 August, 1760, and was probated 27 August, 1760. He made the following bequests:

"I give to my son Nathan Rees all that land whereon I now dwell, with the grist mill and saw mill adjoining, to him and his heirs, and for want of such heirs, I give the same to my daughter Sarah Rees, and for the want of such heirs by Sarah Rees, I give it to John Rees, son of my brother John Rees.

"I desire my son Nathan Rees to make over to my daughter Sarah Rees all that land that fell to my son by his mother in Queen Ann's county, Md., when he arrives at the age of 21 years, and to pay 300 pounds money to her.

"I give unto Mary Jolley the use of the house and plantation where William Green now lives, as long as she remains single; also a young mare, one cow, and the use of one negro woman. She is to keep my two children 2 years in meat, drink, washing and lodging."

He appointed his brother John Rees to be executor; and, in the event of his dying, he named Abel Rees, son of Jeremiah, as his successor.

Nathan Rees died without issue. Sarah Rees married Joseph David, and had several children, and these all died young and before their mother. After the death of Sarah David the courts decided that her husband, having had children by her, should hold a life interest in the estate. After his death the property went to John Rees, nephew of Thomas Rees, according to the provision of the will.

JOHN REES AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

(5) John Rees (David), born ——; died in 1769; married Esther ——.

CHILDREN.8

- (19) I. Isaiah, born in 1745; died young.
- (20) II. Mary, born in 1747; died in 1823; married Samuel Griffin.
- (21) III. Lydia, born in 1749; died ——; married Elijah Chance.
- (22) IV. John, born in 1752; died in 1806; married Ann Green.
- (23) V. Sarah, born in 1755; died in 1808; married John Ringgold.
- (24) VI. Jeremiah, born in 1759; died in 1801; married Rhoda Wallace.
- (25) VII. Thomas, born in 1763; died in 1794; unmarried. Estate administered by John Rees, 17 November, 1794, who gave bond with David Rees. Mary Griffin, in her will, disposes of a certain tract of land in Little Creek hundred, which fell to her in consequence of the death of her brother, Thomas Rees.

⁸ From Mary Griffin's Family Bible.

(26) VIII. David, born 1 August, 1766; died 18
August, 1812; married Jemima
Spruance (widow Griffin).

John Rees was baptized at the Welsh Tract Baptist church, in Pencader hundred, 2 August, 1746. He was probably born in Wales, and was unmarried at the time of his arrival. He was a large land-owner in Little Creek hundred at the time of his death. Besides the land deeded to him by his father, David Rees, the land records show the following purchases: 13 August, 1760, John Rees, of Little Creek hundred, from John Barnett and wife, of Duck Creek hundred, 643 acres in the forest of Little Creek hundred, a part of a tract called "New Year's Chance" [Q-1-5]; 1765, John Rees, miller, of the same hundred, from James Lewis, blacksmith, of Little Creek hundred, 200 acres in Little Creek hundred, adjoining a tract called "Concord" [R-1-34]; 28 February, 1765, John Rees, Sr., from Cornelius Reddick, 200 acres, bounded on the south side by the lands of John Rees, and on the west side by the land of Jonathan Rees, etc., in Little Creek hundred [R-1-14]. Of these last two tracts, the first he bequeathed to his son Thomas and the second to his son David. (See will.)

WILL OF JOHN REES.

I, John Rees of Little Creek Hundred in the County of Kent upon Delaware and province of Pennsylvania being indisposed in body but of Sound and Disposing mind and memory do make and Declare this my Last Will and Testament. I resign my Soul to its Creator in all Humble hope of its future Happyness and as to my body that it be Decently Intered at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named and appointed and as Touching such means and Estate as hath pleased God of his mercy and Goodness To bestow upon me after payment of my just Debts I give and Dispose hereof as followeth. Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Esther my best bed and furniture, her riding horse and saddle to her and To her heirs and assigns forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son John Rees all that plantation and Tract of Land situate in Little Creek hundred af's'd Beginning at a Corner of the Land I purchased of William Rees thence along the line of my other Land from Jones Creek To a Corner White Oak of said Rees's Land thence aline Nearly parallel To Jones Creek until it Intersects the line of Bartholomew McCombs Land thence by said Combs Land to Corner Elm on Jones's Creek thence by said Creek to the place of Beginning be the same more or less and a Walnut Desk Including ye Land I Bought of William Rees with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging To hold To him ye s'd John Rees his heirs and assigns forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Jeremiah Rees all that plantation and Tract of Land Beginning at a Corner of Jonathan Rees Land thence Running astraight line by the Land of my son John already mentioned to the Line of McCombs Land thence by the said McCombs Land To a black Oak marked for a Corner thence the same course To reedy Branch thence up said branch To Chillon Millers Fence thence a straight Course Cross s'd Swamp or branch To Dover Road thence by the same To Hickory for a Corner of Jonathan Rees Land then by said Rees's Land To the place of Beginning be the same more or less and also a Negro boy Named Sambo with the appurtenances To the above Tract of Land To hold To him the said Jeremiah Rees and To his heirs and assigns forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Rees all that Plantation and Tract of Land situate in Little Creek hundred afores'd that I purchased of James Lewis Containing Two hundred acres be the same more or less and a negro Girl named Esther with the appurtenances To hold To him the said Thomas Rees his heirs and assigns forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son David Rees a Mesuage and Lott of Land in Little Creek Hundred afores'd and Contiguous to Dover road and Beginning at reedy branch and running by my son Thomas Rees's Land To Dover road thence by said road To my son Jeremiah Rees's Land thence the Several Courses of the same To the place of Beginning be the same more or less. I also give and bequeath unto my said son David Rees all that Tract of Land with appurtenances Conveyed to me by Indenture of Corneilus Redick Dates Twenty Eight of February one thousand seven hundred and sixty five Containing by Estimation Two hundred acres of Land be the same more or less and a negro Wench named Pheen To hold To him the said David Rees his heirs and Assigns forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Griffith a negro Wench Named Phillis To her her heirs and assigns forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Lydia Chance the sum of Ten pounds Lawful money of the province affores'd To her and To her heirs and assigns forever. Item. I give unto my Daughter Sara Rees one Bed and Furniture and a black horse Coalt One Chest of Drawers a negro girl named Phebe and five pounds Worth of pewter To her and To her heirs and assigns forever. Lastly after the payment of my just Debts and Legacies affores'd I give and bequeath the residue of my personal Estate and the rents arising from my real Estate until Each of my sons arrive at the age of Twenty one years To my Loving wife Esther or as much thereof as shall be sufficient To give my Children proper Education and maintainance until they are of age and the residue thereof to be Equally Divided amongst my Wife and my sons John, Jeremiah, Thomas, and David Rees. And I do hereby make, Ordain, Constitute and appoint my Loving wife Esther and my Loving son John Rees Executors of this my present Testament and Last Will and Do hereby revoke, renounce and annihilate all former and other Legacies and Testaments by me at any time heretofore made and Given and publish and Declare this sheet of paper To be and Contain my Last Will and None other Nor otherwise. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal this fifteenth Day of March Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and sixty nine.

JOHN REES

N.B. It also is my Will if my youngest son David should Die without an heir that his Estate become the property of my sons Jeremiah and Thomas Rees.

JOHN REES.

Witness: Levi Dungan Thomas Murphy Jno. Russel.

Proved at Dover, Kent county, Del., June 4, 1769.

(20) Mary Rees (John, 5, David), born 1747; died 1823; married Samuel Griffin, born 1749; died 1795; son of Samuel and Martha Griffin, of Duck Creek hundred.

CHILDREN.

- (27) I. Rachel Griffin, born 18 December, 1769; died 25 December, 1790; married Jacob Anderson.
- (28) II. John Griffin, born 11 April, 1772; died 8 February, 1798; married Elizabeth Rotheram.
- (29) III. Ann Griffin, born 19 June, 1774; died 15 May, 1821; married Enoch Jones.
- (30) IV. Owen Griffin, born 15 September, 1776; died 19 November, 1789.
- (31) V. Thomas Griffin, born 3 August, 1779; died 31 July, 1807; married, (1), Rebecca Wilds; (2), Martha Durborough.

- (32) VI. Esther Griffin, born 2 February, 1781; died 2 January, 1815; married John Saunders.
- (33) VII. Mary Griffin, born 24 April, 1783; died 24 December, 1811; unmarried.
- (34) VIII. Samuel Griffin, born 17 January, 1786; died 28 July, 1793.
- (35) IX. Isaac Griffin, born 3 September, 1789; died 6 December, 1809; unmarried.

For the continuation of the line of Mary Rees see the genealogy of the Griffin Family.

(21) Lydia Rees (John, 5, David), born in 1749; died ——; married Elijah Chance, born ——; died in 1775; son of ——.

CHILDREN.

(36) I. Mary Chance, born ——.

It is known that Lydia Rees married a Chance, for she is so named in her father's will; but that her husband's name was Elijah there is no other evidence, at present, than that contained in the will of Elijah Chance, of Little Creek hundred, yeoman. This will is dated 10 October, 1775, and was probated 31 October, 1775. In it he mentioned his wife Lydia, daughter Mary, brother Alexander Chance, and Jacob Stout, executor.

(22) John Rees (John, 5, David), born in 1752; died in 1806; married Ann Green, born ——; died about 1800, daughter of ——.

CHILDREN.

- (37) I. Hester, born 10 February, 1789; died 13 April, 1826; married Samuel Griffin.
- (38) II. Thomas, born 5 December, 1790; died 21 April, 1870; married, (1), Elizabeth ——, (2), Elizabeth Stout Griffin.
- (39) III. Sarah, born 15 August, 1792; died 8
 February, 1862; married, (1),
 Arthurs, (2), George Harris.
- (40) IV. Priscilla, born 20 January, 1795; died 8 April, 1874; married Jacob Stout Griffin.

² Eleanor Cregmile, a granddaughter of Ann Rees, writes, that: "Priscilla Rees was about 5 years old when her mother died."

The estate of John Rees was administered by David Rees, who gave bond with Sewell Green, 18 August, 1806. John Rees became possessed of the mill property in Little Creek hundred, now known as Shakespear's mills, through the failure of heirs in the direct line of his uncle, Thomas Rees, who originally owned the property. Ann Green was a sister of Sewell Green.

(23) SARAH REES (John, 5, David), born in 1755; died 3 April, 1808, aged 52 years; married John Ringgold, born in 1751; died 20 July, 1811, aged 60 years, 4 months.

CHILDREN.

- (42) I. Thomas Ringgold, born in 1779; died 21 February, 1790, aged 10 years, 3 months.
- (43) II. John Ringgold, born in 1788; died 8
 March, 1805, aged 17 years, 3
 months.
- (44) III. Mary (Polly) Ringgold, born in 1791; died 5 February, 1792, aged 9 months.
- (45) IV. William Ringgold, born ——; died ——; married Louisa Ann Wales.

The will of John Ringgold, of the village of Kenton, dated 2 January, 1811, proved 17 August, 1811, mentions wife Sarah; son William Ringgold; Ring-

gold Rees, son of Jeremiah Rees and Rhoda, his wife; Priscilla Rees, daughter of John Rees, deceased; and brother James Ringgold. He was a Justice of the Peace, 19 December, 1809. He is buried, with his wife and children, in Bryn Zion grave-yard.

(24) JEREMIAH REES (John, 5, David), born in 1759; died in 1801; married Rhoda Wallace.

CHILDREN.

- (46) I. Abel, born —; died in 1875; married Ruth Davis.
- (47) II. Jane, born in 1793; died 20 May, 1840; married Nathaniel Derrickson.
- (48) III. John Ringgold, born in 1798; died 28
 October, 1884, married, (1), Mary
 Jones, (2), Elizabeth Ann Sevil, (3),
 Ann Graham, (4), Martha Numbers
 (widow Downs).
- (49) IV. Lydia, born ——; died 8 October, 1824; married, (1), Robert Scott, (2), Samuel Griffin.

The will of Jeremiah Rees, of Little Creek hundred, was signed 10 December, 1800, and probated 4 March, 1801. He mentions by name his four children, and makes provision for a child unborn. No record is found of the birth of this child. The name of Rhoda Wallis was among those of the constitu-

ents who, 24 November, 1781, petitioned the mother church that Bryn Zion be constituted a separate church. Rhoda Rees, widow, married a second time, and afterwards went with her husband to Virginia, taking with her the two youngest children. The mother died in Virginia, and the children returned to Delaware.

(26) David Rees (John, 5, David), born, 1 August, 1766; died 18 August, 1812; married Jemima Spruance (widow Griffin), born in 1757, died 25 November, 1820, daughter of John Spruance and Mary Barratt (widow Worrell). The marriage license of David Rees and Jemima Griffin is recorded at Wilmington, Delaware, and is dated, 8 November, 1793.

CHILDREN.

- (50) I. Thomas Alston, born 1 January, 1795; died 12 April, 1847; married Elizabeth Harris (68).
- (51) II. Susan, born 5 April, 1797; died 6 August, 1826; married Jacob Rotheram Griffin.

WILL OF JEMIMA REES.

I, Jemima Rees, Citizen of Duck Creek Hundred in the County of Kent and State of Delaware, Deeming it expedient to make a settlement of my property to take effect after my Decease and being of sound mind Do on this Second Day of September in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and twenty make and Declare this to be my last will and testa-

ment in manner and form following. First, I give and bequeath unto my grand Daughter Elizabeth Covington one hundred Dollars to be paid unto her when she arrive to the age of Eighteen years by my Executor hereinafter mentioned, but in case my Death should not take place until after that time then the said hundred Dollars is to be paid unto her in one vear after my Decease but not sooner. Secondly, I give and bequeath unto my grandson Nathaniel Covington one hundred Dollars to be paid unto him when he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years by my Executor as aforesaid but in case my Decease should not take place until after that time then 'tis my will that the said hundred Dollars shall be paid unto him in one year after my Decease but not sooner, and in case the said Elizabeth Covington and the said Nathaniel Covington should both Die before the above specified time that the above legacies are to be paid and without lawful issue then 'tis my will that the said legacies shall remain in my Estate as though the above bequeaths had not been made. Thirdly, I Do will that my son Thomas A. Rees and my sonin-law Jacob Griffin Do Rear and Educate Franklin Griffin in a good and liberal manner out of the bequeaths that are hereinafter made unto him the said Thomas A. Rees and unto my Daughter Susan wife of the said Jacob Griffin. Fourthly, I give and bequeath unto my son John Griffin to him and his lawful issue forever the farm which I purchased of William and Ann Ford and I Do also give and bequeath unto the said John Griffin and his lawful issue forever the two old fields adjoining of John Spruance and is apart of the tract of land willed unto me by my Father John Spruance. Fifthly, I Do give and bequeath unto my Daughter Susan Griffin my servant Elizabeth Ringold to have and to hold the same for her own use and benefit until she the said Elizabeth shall arrive to the age of thirty two years at which time 'tis my will that the said Elizabeth Ringold shall be entitled to and Receive her freedom. Sixthly, I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas A. Rees and unto my Daughter Susan Griffin to them and their lawful issue forever, to be Divided share and share alike between them the farm whereon I live as also the woodland adjoining the two old fields which I have above willed unto my son John Griffin and is a part of the same tract that was bequeathed unto me by my Father as aforesaid and I do also give and bequeath unto them all the Rest and Residue of my

Estate after the above legacies and my just Debts are first paid and lastly, I Do nominate and appoint my son Thomas A. Rees my Executor of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Day and Date above written.

JEMIMA REES

Witnesses: John Farson William Farson Rhoda Davis

Probated at Dover, Kent county, Del., 28 November, 1820.

(37) Hester Rees (John, 22, John, David), born 10 February, 1789; died 13 April, 1826; married, 7 April, 1825, Samuel Griffin, born 26 June, 1797, died 29 June, 1883, son of John Griffin and Elizabeth Rotheram, and grandson of Mary Rees (20) and Samuel Griffin.

CHILDREN.

(52) I. John Rees Griffin, born 8 January, 1826; died 29 January, 1897; married Rachel George.

For the continuation of this line see the genealogy of the Griffin Family.

(38) Thomas Rees (John, 22, John, David), born 5 December, 1790, in Kent county, Delaware; died 21 April, 1870, in Preble county, Ohio; married, (1), 5 August, 1812, Elizabeth ——, (2), 4 June, 1817, at St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio, Elizabeth Stout Griffin, born 13 March, 1801, died 13 Janu-

ary, 1884, daughter of Jacob Stout Griffin and Rebecca Bracken.

CHILDREN.

By first wife:

(53) I. John, born 21 July, 1815. John Rees left his home in 1842, and went to Nashville, Tenn. He was not married at that time. For many years all trace of him has been lost.

By second wife:

- (54) II. Olivia Rebecca, born 27 March, 1818, in Delaware; died 22 July, 1893, in Camden, Ohio; married, 5 April, 1840, Nathan Wilbur Carroll, born 13 April, 1813, died 18 November, 1862, son of Elijah Carroll and Patience Smith. No issue.
- (55) III. Willard Hall, born, 17 September, 1819, in Delaware; married Amanda Hall.
- (56) IV. Griffin, born 8 January, 1824, in Delaware; died young.
- (57) V. Jacob Griffin, born 20 November, 1825, in Ohio; married Eleanora Stamm.
- (58) VI. Ellen, born 23 September, 1827; married Wilson Pottenger.
- (59) VII. Victor Dupont, born 20 April, 1829; died 21 October, 1898; married Augusta Lois Carroll.

- (60) VIII. Macdonough Bainbridge, born 10 February, 1831; married America F. Hall.
- (61) IX. Raymond Ringgold, born 17 June, 1833; died 12 July, 1889; married Augusta Ward.
- (62) X. Sewell Green, born 21 December, 1834; died 1889; married ——.
- (63) XI. Decatur Stout, born 17 November, 1836; married Phebe Rebecca Duncan.
- (64) XII. Franklin Carroll, born 10 June, 1840; married Catherine Shaltenbrand.
- (65) XIII. David Austin, born 31 January, 1842; died 27 June, 1864, at the battle of Keneshaw Mountain. He enlisted as a private in the 54th regiment of Ohio infantry. His bravery and intelligence early attracted the attention of his colonel, and he was made adjutant of the regiment. He was killed during a charge at Keneshaw Mountain. As a tribute to his memory, his old comrades have linked his name with that of the late Lieut. James A. Mitchell, in naming the G. A. R. Post of Camden, Ohio.
- (66) XIV. Thomas Clayton, born 10 January, 1844; drowned while attempting to

cross the Solomon river, in Kansas, whither he had gone to engage in the stock-raising business with his brothers.

(67) XV. Corwin Pottenger, born 4 September, 1847; married Louise Seymour Merrill.

Thomas Rees carried on the business of milling and farming combined, both in Delaware and Ohio. In the former state he lived on the mill property—the well-known Shakespear mill-inherited by his father from his uncle, Thomas Rees. To distinguish him from a first cousin, Thomas A. Rees, he was called "Miller Tom" Rees. It is said, that in 1817, Thomas Rees leased his mill property and accompanied the family of Jacob S. Griffin to Ohio, where he married the daughter. He did not remain west at that time, but returned with his wife to Delaware. It is thought that during his first visit he went as far west as Illinois, probably in search of a suitable dwelling-place. In 1825, he moved to Ohio permanently, first settling at Griffin's Mills, on Twin creek, in Preble county. He afterwards moved to near Reily, Butler county, in the same state. Here he lived until shortly after the Civil War, when he removed to a pleasant little farm situated two and a half miles northwest of Camden, Preble county, where he lived until his death. He was below the

medium height, and, in his younger days, was noted for strength and activity. The most prominent traits of his character were industry, honesty and generosity. He had dark hair and blue-gray eyes. (For an account of Elizabeth Stout Griffin see the GRIFFIN FAMILY.

(39) SARAH REES (John, 22, John, David), born 15 August, 1792; died 8 February, 1862; married, (1), —— Arthurs, (2), George Harris, a widower, born 4 July, 1787, died ——.

- (68) I. Elizabeth Harris, born 13 February, 1816; died 15 July, 1878; married Thomas Alston Rees (No. 50.)
- (69) II. Sewell Harris, born —. He went west, married and lived in the town of Blooming Grove, near Brookville, Franklin county, Indiana. In 1842, it is said, he had one daughter living.
- (40) Priscilla Rees (John, 22, John, David), born 20 January, 1795; died 8 April, 1874; married, in 1818, Jacob Stout Griffin (his second wife), born 30 November, 1776, died 20 February, 1851, son of David Griffin and Hannah Stout.

CHILDREN.

- (70) I. Eleanor Griffin, born 2 May, 1819; married John Cregmile.
- (71) II. David Griffin, born 31 January, 1821; died 8 June, 1888; married (1), Rachel Young, (2), ——.

For the continuation of this line see the genealogy of the Griffin Family.

(45) WILLIAM RINGGOLD (Sarah, 23, John, David), born —; died —; married Louisa Ann Wales.

CHILDREN.

- (72) I. Eliza Ringgold, born —; died —; married Hiram Goodwin.
- (73) II. Sarah Ann Ringgold, born ——; died ——; married William Temple.

The marriage license of William Ringgold and Louisa Ann Wailes (sic), dated 25 February, 1817, is on file at Dover, Delaware.

(46) ABEL REES (Jeremiah, 24, John, David), born —; died in 1875; married Ruth Davis.

CHILDREN.

(74) I. Hannah Davis, born —; married —— Reynolds. No issue.

- (75) II. John, born ——; married ——. Dr. H. V. Rees, of Parkersburg, W. Va., is a son. (N. B. Rees, Hopwood, Pa.)
- (76) III. Philip Davis, born 8 May, 1824; died 5 March, 1901; married Charlotte Hatfield.
- (77) IV. Sarah Jane, born -; unmarried.
- (78) V. Robert, born ——; married ——. No issue.
- (79) VI. Edgar, born ——; married —— Scott; has two sons living in Fayette county, Pa.

Abel Rees probably went to Virginia with the rest of the family in the early part of the nineteenth century. He died there. His will, dated 22 April, 1868, and probated 5 and 12 June, 1875, is recorded at Morgantown, West Virginia. He bequeathed all his property to his daughter, Hannah D. Reynolds.

(47) Jane Rees (Jeremiah, 24, John, David), born in 1793; died 20 May, 1840, in her 48th year; married Nathaniel Derrickson.

- (80) I. Ann Eliza Derrickson, born ——; died ——; married John Cooper.
- (81) II. William Rees Derrickson, born 1813; died July, 1853; married Eliza Ann Sailer.

- (82) III. John Derrickson, born ——; died in California; a sea captain.
- (83) IV. Albert Derrickson, born ——.
- (84) V. David Derrickson, born ——; died 26 February, 1901; married Eliza Smith. He was a carpenter and a farmer, and died near Edesville, Kent county, Maryland. No issue.

Jane Derrickson is buried in the Bryn Zion churchyard, near Kenton, Delaware. Nathaniel Derrickson was living, probably in Philadelphia, in 1853, when William R. Derrickson signed his will, settling an annuity on his father.

⁽⁴⁸⁾ John Ringgold Rees (Jeremiah, 24, John, David), born in 1798; died 28 October, 1884, in his 86th year; married, (1), 28 March, 1824, Mary Jones, born 13 October, 1802, died 6 December, 1834, daughter of Abel Jones and Ann Jamison; married, (2), 6 September, 1838, Elizabeth Ann Sevil, born 30 March, 1816, died 17 July, 1848, near Clayton, Del., daughter of Abel Sevil; married, (3), 24 October, 1849, Ann Graham, born in 1804, died 9 January, 1865, aged 61 years; married, (4), 17 September, 1865, Martha Numbers (widow Downs), born in 1803, died 28 April, 1884, in her 61st year.

CHILDREN.

By first wife:

- (85) I. Abel Jones, born 11 February, 1825; died in 1890; married, (1), Lucinda Shorts, (2), Mary Jones.
- (86) II. Rhoda Ann, born 30 May, 1827; married, (1), Albert Stoops, (2), John Eckles.
- (87) III. Lydia Howell, born 29 November, 1829; married James Roland Jones.
- (88) IV. Mary Ellen, born 13 July, 1832; married John S. B. Woolford.
- (89) V. Adaline, born 4 December, 1834; died 11 December, 1834.

By second wife:

- (90) VI. Thomas Alston, born 25 September, 1839; married Georgianna Griffin.
- (91) VII. John, born 10 June, 1841; died 31 December, 1850.
- (92) VIII. William Ringgold, born 28 August, 1844; married Margaret Drinkhouse. No issue.

John R. Rees was a farmer. His property was near Clayton, on the Alley road, running from Smyrna to Kenton, and opposite a place formerly known as Jimtown. He moved from this farm to one near Newark, in the vicinity of Iron Hill, in New Castle county, where he died. The latter property

is at present (1900) in the possession of his youngest son, William Ringgold Rees. In 1806, when he was eight years old, he went with his mother to Virginia (now West Virginia). He lived in Morgantown or its vicinity. In 1819, when he was twenty-one years old, he returned to Delaware, where he remained.

(49) Lydia Rees (Jeremiah, 24, John, David), born —; died 8 October, 1824; married, (1), Robert Scott, of Virginia, (2), Samuel Griffin, son of John Griffin and Elizabeth Rotheram, and grandson of Mary Rees (20) and Samuel Griffin.

CHILDREN.

By first husband:

(93) I. Elizabeth A. Scott, born May, 1817; died 1 October, 1899; married William Wilds.

By second husband:

(94) II. Mary Griffin, born 8 October, 1824; married Hynson Wooleyhan.

For continuation of this branch see Griffin Family.

⁽⁵⁰⁾ Thomas Alston Rees (David, 26, John, David), born 1 January, 1795; died 12 April, 1847; married, in 1839, Elizabeth Harris (68), daughter of George Harris and Sarah Rees (39).

CHILDREN.

- (95) I. David, born 7 September, 1840; married Mary Thompson.
- (96) II. Sarah, born —; unmarried.
- (97) III. Susan, born —; unmarried.
- (98) IV. Thomas Alston, born 26 February, 1847; married Julia Woodall.

Thomas A. Rees was a farmer, and lived in Duck Creek hundred. In a letter written 28 May, 1848, it is stated, that: "That country [Delaware] has been visited by unusually malignant fevers during the past few years," and that Thomas A. Rees was one of the victims.

(51) Susan Rees (David, 26, John, David) born 5 April, 1797; died 6 August, 1826; married Jacob Rotheram Griffin, son of John Griffin and Elizabeth Rotheram, and grandson of Mary Rees (20) and Samuel Griffin.

CHILDREN.

- (99) I. David Rees Griffin, born ——; died in 1849; married Margaret Upchurch.
- (100) II. Mary Elizabeth Griffin, born 25 December, 1819; died 13 December, 1881; married Edward Streets.
- (101) III. Angelica Griffin, born August, 1821; married William Evans.

For continuation of this branch see Griffin Family.

(55) WILLARD HALL REES (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 17 September, 1819, near Smyrna, Delaware; died 19 January, 1903, in Portland, Oregon; married, 27 January, 1847, in Butteville, Oregon, Amanda Hall, born 20 August, 1828, in Liberty, Missouri, daughter of James Elliott Hall (born 7 January, 1798, in Knoxville, Tennessee) and Cynthia Ann Grooms (born 2 October, 1804, in Lexington, Kentucky).

- (102) I. Olivia, born 2 April, 1849; married James W. Welch, of Astoria, Oregon.
- (103) II. Elizabeth, born 23 September, 1850; married William Hendershott, of Portland, Oregon.
- (104) III. Anna, born 18 February, 1852; married John S. Clark, of Island City, Union county, Oregon.
- (105) IV. Lora, born 12 September, 1853; married C. H. Day, of Dayton, Wash.
- (106) V. David Crawford, born 6 March, 1855.
- (107) VI. Thomas Hall, born 11 November, 1856.
- (108) VII. Harry Loren, born 27 March, 1859; married Felicia Blake.
- (109) VIII. Park A., born 20 February, 1861.
- (110) IX. Willard Hamilton, born 24 October, 1866.

- (111) X. Clara Augusta, born 6 May, 1868.
- (112) XI. Lillie May, born 7 May, 1870.
- (113) XII. Priscilla, born 21 February, 1872; married H. A. Wright, Portland, Oregon.

Willard H. Rees was early caught in the tide of western emigration, and was carried by it to Oregon long before that state was admitted into the Union. He eventually became one of the wealthy stockraisers and ranch owners of that now prosperous commonwealth.

The following account of him, with his portrait, appeared in "The Morning Oregonian," of Portland, Oregon, 20 January, 1903:

"After a brief illness, Willard H. Rees, a prominent pioneer of 1844, died yesterday morning, at 11 o'clock, at 324 East First street, the home of his son, Dr. P. A. Rees. Mr. Rees was born in Dover [an error], Delaware, September 17, 1819, of sturdy Welsh parentage. In the early part of 1844, he started for Oregon, with the wagon train that brought Hon. John Minto, Daniel Clark, and others who became prominent in the territorial history of Oregon. On the trip the usual hardships were encountered. He met and formed the acquaintance of Dr. McLoughlin, at Vancouver, in 1845. Being a practical man, he secured the contract for erecting a church at Oregon City, where he also put up other

buildings. He then proceeded to St. Louis, Oregon, where he erected a church building for the French-Canadians. Being attracted by the beauty of French Prairie, he bought the donation land claim of Stephen Pelchie for \$975, and farmed for a number of years. In January, 1847, he was married to Miss Amelia Hall, daughter of J. E. Hall, a pioneer of 1845. In 1848, with a number of the early settlers, he went to California, during the gold excitement, and mined for several months, taking out about \$3,000, when he returned to Oregon. While on this trip, the party he was with experienced many hardships and were attacked by Indians, one white man being killed. On his return, with O. S. Thomas and William Keating, he built the first saw and grist mill on Deer Creek. He also put up some government buildings at Champoeg.

"Mr. Rees was a man of great force and influence in the early history of the state. He was a Whig, and one of the organizers of the Republican party in the state. In 1847 he was a member of the territorial legislature, and a member of the county committee. He was closely connected with the organization of the Pioneer Association. He drew up its first constitution, and for a number of years was its corresponding secretary. As a writer and speaker on historical topics he took high rank. His addresses before the Pioneer Association were terse and full of carefully prepared historical data. Few were bet-

ter versed in the history of the state than he, and he contributed many valuable papers to the daily press. For the past three years he made his home in Portland with his son."

(57) Jacob Griffin Rees (Thomas, 38, John, John, David) born 20 November, 1825, in Preble county, Ohio; married, 11 November, 1851, in Greenville, Darke county, Ohio, Eleanora Stamm, born 12 August, 1833, daughter of David and Nancy Stamm.

CHILDREN.

- (114) I. Lloyd Osman, born 20 September, 1852; married Adah Ann Decker.
- (115) II. Victor Carroll, born 20 June, 1860; died 1 April, 1863.

Jacob G. Rees learned the trade of printing in the office of the "Register," of Eaton, Ohio, under the instruction of William B. Tizzard. After serving his apprenticeship there he went to Greenville, Ohio, and became the proprietor and editor of the Greenville "Banner," and which he conducted for about seven years. During the troublous days of Kansas, in the spring of 1857, he immigrated to that (then) infant state. After a few years' residence there he was elected to the state legislature on the Republican ticket. He was re-elected, and during his legislative career was appointed on several important

committees, and was a co-worker with such men as the future senators Plumb and Ingalls. In the War of the Rebellion he was the captain of Company F, 11th Kansas cavalry, and filled besides many other important positions, such as commander of posts, provost marshal, inspector general and chief of cavalry.

He retired from public life for a number of years, and lived on his farm, near Greeley, Anderson county; but of late he has been called from his retirement, and now (1899), at the advanced age of seventy-three, he is serving his constituency in the Kansas House of Representatives, having been elected on the Republican ticket at the last general election. He resides at present in the town of Greeley.

(58) Ellen Rees (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 23 September, 1827, in Reily, Butler county, Ohio; married, 18 February, 1847, Wilson Pottenger, born 13 December, 1820, in Preble county, Ohio, died 15 April, 1897, in Camden, Ohio, son of John Pottenger and Catherine Railsback. Wilson Pottenger was in the milling business.

CHILDREN.

(116) I. Olivia Ellen Pottenger, born 30 September, 1848; married Dr. Z. Brown. A son was born in 1876.

- (117) II. Macdonough Pottenger, born 30 June, 1851.
- (118) III. Bayard C. Rees Pottenger, born 7
 June, 1855; died 4 September,
 1893; married Julia Hill. A daughter was born in 1876.
- (119) IV. Frank Thomas Pottenger, born 14 May, 1862; married, 17 October, 1886, Nora Calkins.
- (59) VICTOR DUPONT REES (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 20 April, 1829; died 21 October, 1898; married, 6 December, 1860, Augusta Lois Carroll, born 22 January, 1839, daughter of Augustus S. and Lois Carroll.

- (120) I. Boyd L., born 29 October, 1861; married, 9 September, 1885, Mary E. Welch.
- (121) II. Rollin R., born 10 January, 1865; married, 18 April, 1896, Harriet E. Merrick. Attorney-at-Law, of Minneapolis, Kansas.
- (122) III. Mary A., born 19 December, 1868; married, 26 June, 1894, Joseph B. Tomlinson.
- (123) IV. Laura L., born 12 June, 1870.

- (124) V. Olive, born 23 January, 1873; died 10 November, 1884.
- (125) VI. Wilber Carroll, born 5 December, 1876; died 20 January, 1885.
- (126) VII. Griffin M., born 21 November, 1878; died 25 January, 1885.

Victor D. Rees followed his brothers, Jacob G., Decatur S., and Franklin C., to Kansas, and settled on the Solomon river, in Ottawa county. At the time of his arrival the country was infested with prowling bands of predatory Indians. At first he devoted his energies to the raising of cattle, but later removed to Minneapolis, Kansas, where he became a prosperous banker. At the time of his death he was President of the Ottawa County Bank.

(60) Macdonough Bainbridge Rees (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 10 February, 1831; married 9 November, 1856, at Butteville, Oregon, America F. Hall, born 10 February, 1840, in Missouri, died at Cove, Oregon, 20 January, 1899, daughter of James E. Hall, of Tennessee, and sister of the wife of Willard H. Rees.

CHILDREN.

(127) I. Zella A., born 9 September, 1859, at Cove, Oregon; died ——; married. 20 July, 1881, John Shoemaker.

- (128) II. Mary, born 1 September, 1861; died 1 October, 1881, at Butteville, Oregon.
- (129) III. Sherman Griffin, born 8 July, 1864, at Butteville; married 22 November, 1893.
- (130) IV. Edward C., born 17 April, 1870; married, 10 December, 1893, Mary V. Jones.
- (131) V. Walter P., born 8 May, 1872; married, 11 June, 1899, Birdie White.
- (132) VI. Baby, born 12 January, 1874; died 10 February, 1874.
- (133) VII. Harry C., born 18 March, 1877, at Cove; married, 24 March, 1896, Anna F. Harris.

Macdonough E. Rees accompanied his brother, Willard H., to Oregon in 1854. Having passed through the period of pioneer life in the now prosperous state of Oregon, he is now a successful farmer and stock-raiser at his home in Cove, Oregon. Active and energetic in his business, he has not neglected to keep his mind stored with useful knowledge.

⁽⁶¹⁾ RAYMOND RINGGOLD REES (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 17 June, 1833; died 12 July, 1889, in Walla Walla, Washington; married 12 March, 1865, Augusta Ward, born 4 July, 1843, in

De Kalb county, Illinois. She went with her parents to Linn county, Oregon, in 1853, and to Walla Walla in 1861.

CHILDREN.

- (134) I. Frank Ward, born 20 July, 1867; married Sarah Delia Hawley.
- (135) II. Elma Luella, born 13 September, 1868; married Harry Hudson Turner.
- (136) III. Lora Augusta, born 3 March, 1875.

Raymond R. Rees learned the printing trade in Hamilton, Ohio, and went to Oregon in 1854, where he worked on "The Standard and Christian Advocate" of Portland. He set the type for the first almanae printed in Oregon. In 1861, he moved to Walla Walla, Washington, where he founded "The Washington Statesman," the second paper printed between Portland and the Rocky Mountains—the first being "The Dalles Mountaineer." He sold the paper in 1865, and was engaged in mercantile business until 1887. He was twice elected to the Washington legislature, and for six years was treasurer of Walla Walla county.

⁽⁶²⁾ SEWELL GREEN REES (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 21 December, 1834; died in 1889; married —.

Like his brother Jacob, Sewell G. Rees acquired the art of printing in the office of "The Register" of Eaton, Ohio, under his relation, William B. Tizzard. Following the example of his brother Raymond, he went, first, to Oregon, and then to Walla Walla, Washington, where they joined in the business of journalism. Sewell severed his connection with the paper first, and went to the northern part of California, where, with his family, he was living in comfort when he was killed by the falling of a piece of timber, during a storm, from a new house which he was building.

(63) DECATUR STOUT REES (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 17 November, 1836, near Reily, Butler county, Ohio; married, 24 March, 1872, Phebe Rebecca Duncan, born 10 March, 1847, in Waldo county, Maine, daughter of Samuel Duncan (born in Maine, 1788) and Cornelia Green Trimm (born in Maine, 1808). They were married in Delphos, Kansas.

- (137) I. Georgia Ellen, born 9 January, 1873; married, 4 May, 1898, Harry Bower. Residence: Delphos, Kansas.
- (138) II. Charles Duncan, born 7 July, 1874.
- (139) III. Pearl Stout, born 16 March, 1885.
- (140) IV. Edwin Craig, born 11 March, 1887.

Decatur S. Rees went to Kansas in 1857, and to Ottawa county in 1863. As he was one of the first settlers of that section, he necessarily underwent many hardships and privations incident to the life of a pioneer. Wild Indians, sometimes hostile, inhabited that portion of the country, and caused him much trouble, making the maintenance of his home exceedingly dangerous. He is a farmer, and has been successful in this business. The fruits of his industry and enterprise he now (1899) enjoys on his fine estate near Delphos.

(64) Franklin Carroll Rees (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 10 June, 1840, near Reily, Butler county, Ohio; married, 22 May, 1871, in Salina, Kansas, Catherine Shaltenbrand, born 28 April, 1851, in the canton Bern, Switzerland, daughter of John Shaltenbrand and Mary Ann Weber, both of Switzerland.

CHILDREN.

- (141) I. Nora May, born 4 June, 1872.
- (142) II. Arthur Gordon, born 31 December, 1873.
- (143) III. Olivia Ellen, born 24 February, 1876.

Franklin C. Rees accompanied his brothers, Jacob and Decatur, to Kansas in 1857, and pre-empted a large tract of land in Ottawa county. He afterwards added extensively to this tract. Here he carried on

for a series of years a thriving and successful business of raising stock. Later he changed his residence to Minneapolis, the county seat, where he is at present (1899) engaged in the banking business. He is still interested in stock, and owns a fine farming property just outside the city. What has been said in connection with his brothers about the dangers and hardships of a pioneer's life applies also to him. Many were their hair-breadth escapes and thrilling adventures with the wild Indians of the plains. It was probably this life which developed in them the self-reliance which has made them successful in whatever they have undertaken. [He died in 1903.]

(67) Corwin Pottenger Rees (Thomas, 38, John, John, David), born 4 September, 1847; married, 28 October, 1886, Louise Seymour Merrill, born 26 October, 1865, daughter of George W. Merrill and Louisa A. Burr, of Erie, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(144) I. George Merrill, born 28 February, 1891.

Corwin P. Rees served one year and a half in the volunteer army during the Civil War. He was appointed to the Naval Academy, July, 1866; was made an ensign, July, 1871; master, May, 1874; lieutenant, October, 1880; lieutenant-commander, March, 1899; commander, May, 1901. He was executive of-

ficer of the "Olympia," Admiral Dewey's flagship, in the battle of Manila Bay, and for his participation in that action was advanced several numbers in his grade. Commander Rees has written a number of poems, several of which have appeared in the public prints. This gift of poetry he probably inherited, as his mother was similarly endowed. The poem given here he recited at the Manila Day reunion, held in Washington, D. C., 1902.

THE REASON WE'RE GATHERED AGAIN.

Again we are gathered, unfaltering friends,
Our rose-tinted table around,
Where earnest emotion in harmony blends
With merriment's musical sound.
The goblets are brimming and cheerily clink,
As happiness heralds the way,
While gladly we linger and lovingly drink
To our Glorious First Day of May!

The Glorious First Day of May we claim
As ours to enjoy and defend,
Since surely we gave it a title to fame
Unparalleled, world without end—
A title to fame that will sparkle for aye,
As ages on ages unroll,
Ornate with the deeds of that marvelous day
Undimmed on eternity's scroll.

Emblazoned in letters of shimmering light
That tell of a miracle wrought,
When, cleaving the dawn, as sweeping the night,
The foes of our country we fought:—
The foes of our country defiant and proud,
In squadron and lining the shore,
With murderous batteries hurling aloud
Their hatred in maddening roar.

A hatred that shrieked from Manila afar
To Sangley that flashed in the sand—
Luneta aflame and Malate ajar
To frowning Cavite's command:—
Cavite, an arsenal rampant in scorn,
Aroused in a passion of ire,
Whence lurid-lit vessels awakened the morn
And rifle mouths vomited fire!

Yet never one moment our squadron was kept
From battle o'erspreading away,
But steadily onward in majesty swept
That first mighty morning in May:—
That first mighty morning when destiny hung
And fate trembled keen on desire,
A voice from the bridge like a clarion rung,
"Now, Gridley, when ready you'll fire!"

The vengeance that flew over waters and land No eloquence mortal can tell; It thundered in wrath inexpressibly grand Overleaping the horrors of hell!

A withering horror that Montojo caught, As swiftly our answer was hurled,
In awful destruction o'ershadowing aught Before ever known in the world.

The Flagship Reina Christina went down,
On fire and with seven score dead;
The burning Castilla was fated to drown,
Her scuppers in blood running red:—
In blood running red nine others sank soon,
Engulfed in volcano-like showers,
Till flags fluttered white on Cavite at noon,
And victory matchless was ours!

Not a vestige was left of their power afloat,
Save the smoldering wrecks on the bay;
Not a yellow-red flag nor an enemy's boat
Overlived that miraculous day!
Miraculous more than the power of pen
Or language can ever portray:—
And that is the reason we're gathered again,
Rejoicing this First Day of May!

Rejoicing tho some may but faintly believe,
Or dimly discern as they may,
That legions unprejudiced plainly perceive
The war was fore-won on that day—
Fore-won by the might of immortalized men
Whose victory crimsoned the bay:—
And that is the reason we're gathered again
Adorning the First Day of May!

'Twas genius and valor that garnered the isles
Of sunshine in orient sea,
Impressing their glory, mid infinite wiles,
As gems for the Land of the Free;
We offered our lives in battle to give,
While proud grew our country that day;
And that is the reason, as long as we live,
We'll honor the First Day of May.

(73) SARAH ANN RINGGOLD (William, 45, Sarah, John, David), born ——; died ——; married WILLIAM TEMPLE (his first wife), born 28 February, 1815, died May, 1863.

CHILDREN.

(145) I. William George Temple, born —; married — Roberts.

William Temple was born in Queen Anne county, Maryland, and died in Smyrna, Delaware. After receiving a good academic education, he became a merchant in Smyrna. In 1844 he was elected to the state legislature, and was Speaker of the House. In 1846, the Governor of the state (Stockton) and the Speaker of the Senate (Joseph Maull) having both died, he became acting Governor, as the next in

succession, for the remainder of the term. For ten years he was a member of the state senate, and declined a re-election in 1854. He was elected by the Democrats in 1862 a representative from Delaware to the thirty-eighth congress, but died before taking his seat.

(76) Philip Davis Rees (Abel, 46, Jeremiah, John, David), born 18 May, 1824, in Morgantown, West Virginia; died 5 March, 1901; married, in 1845, Charlotte Hatfield, of Hopwood, Fayette county, Pennsylvania.

- (146) I. Anna Jane, born ——; married John W. Huffman.
- (147) II. Jacob Lewis Cass, born ——; married Clara Tims.
- (148) III. Isabella, born ——; unmarried. Residence: Reedy Ripple, W. Va.
- (149) IV. John William, born——; married Jerusha Modisette.
- (150) V. Caroline Agnes, born ——; married John A. Rathbone.
- (151) VI. James Buchanan, born ——; unmarried. Residence: Burning Spring, West Virginia.
- (152) VII. Nancy Brunette, born——; unmarried. Residence: Hopwood, Pennsylvania.

- (153) VIII. Robert Anderson, born ——; married Adda Thorne.
- (154) IX. Lester Schellenberger, born —; married Pearle Thorne.
- (155) X. Geraldine Gertrude, born ——; married Robert H. Wiseman.
- (80). Ann Eliza Derrickson (Jane, 47, Jeremiah, John, David), born ——; died ——; married John Cooper.

CHILDREN.

- (156) I. William Ringgold Cooper, born ——.
- (157) II. John Cooper, born ——.
- (81) WILLIAM REES DERRICKSON (Jane, 47, Jeremiah, John, David), born in 1813; died July, 1853; married Eliza Ann Sailer (widow Hand).

CHILDREN.

- (158) I. Mary Jane Derrickson, born October, 1834; died 23 January, 1903; married John Garitee.
- (159) II. Ann Eliza Derrickson, born 1837; died 1872; married Herman Morrison.
- (160) III. William Rees Derrickson, born 3 April, 1842; married Annetta C. Cox.

William R. Derrickson, of Southwark, Philadelphia, a sea captain, provided in his will, signed 3

June, 1853, proved 11 July, 1853, that one-third of his ship, "France," should be sold and the money expended in the purchase of two houses for his daughters, Mary Jane (married) and Ann Eliza (unmarried); his son, William R., to have his house at No. 440 South Front street, Philadelphia. He settled an annuity on his father, Nathaniel Derrickson. Wife, Eliza Ann Derrickson. Witnesses: Nathaniel Derrickson, Joseph S. Russell and James Simpson.

(85) ABEL JONES REES (John Ringgold, 48, Jeremiah, John, David), born 11 February, 1825; died in 1890; married, (1), 11 November, 1848 (date of marriage bond), LUCINDA SHORTS, born September, 1828; died 29 December, 1862; (2), MARY JONES, of Baltimore.

CHILDREN.

By first wife:

- (161) I. Catherine, born ——; married Charles Wheatley.
- (162) II. James, born ——; married Louisa Smith. Residence: Edesville, Kent county, Maryland.

By second wife:

- (163) III. Edith, born ——.
- (164) IV. Walter, born ——.
- (165) V. May, born ——.
- (166) VI. Howard, born ----.

(86) Rhoda Ann Rees (John Ringgold, 48, Jeremiah, John, David), born 30 May, 1827; married, (1), Albert Stoops, son of Aaron Stoops and Elizabeth Thompson, of New Castle county; (2), John Eckles, a widower, and a farmer of New Castle hundred, who died in 1890.

- (167) I. Albert Stoops, born ——. Residence: near New Castle, Delaware.
- (168) II. George Stoops, born ——. Residence: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- (169) III. Robert S. Stoops, born ——; died 1896; married Sarah A. ——.
- (170) IV. Mary Stoops, born ——; married Thomas J. Clinger.
- (171) V. Elizabeth Wilds Stoops, born ——; married Thomas Tasker Clark.
- (172) VI. John T. Stoops, born ——; married Mary E. Morrison, daughter of Robert Morrison and Isabella Wadsley. A hardware merchant in New Castle.
- (173) VII. William Stoops, born ——; died young.

⁽⁸⁷⁾ Lydia Howell Rees (John Ringgold, 48, Jeremiah, John, David), born 29 November, 1829; married James Roland Jones, son of Jonathan Jones

and Hannah Roland. Residence: Millington, Queen Anne county, Maryland.

CHILDREN.

- (174) I. Mary Edmonda Jones, born in 1850; died 3 July, 1851, aged 13 months.
- (175) II. Anna Rees Jones, born in 1857; died 4 March, 1859, aged 1 year 4 months.
- (176) III. James Rees Jones, born in 1857; died 10 May, 1859, aged 1 year 6 months.
- (177) IV. Ella Jones, born —; unmarried.
- (178) V. Lucy Jones, born —; unmarried.
- (179) VI. Etta Jones, born ——; unmarried.
- (180) VII. Margaret Jones, born ——; unmarried.
- (181) VIII. George Jones, born ——; married —— Smith.
- (182) IX. William Jones, born ——; married Elizabeth Van Zant.

The order of birth of these children is not known. The dates of deaths of the first three were copied from the grave-stones in Bryn Zion church-yard. The other children are set down here in the order furnished.

⁽⁸⁸⁾ Mary Ellen Rees (John Ringgold, 48, Jeremiah, John, David), born 13 July, 1832; married

John S. B. Woolford. Residence: Cambridge, Dorchester county, Maryland.

CHILDREN.

- (183) I. George W. Woolford, born—; married, (1), Eva Skinner, (2), Sarah W. Mace.
- (184) II. Lucy Bell Woolford, born ——.
- (185) III. Frank Rees Woolford, born —.
- (186) IV. John S. B. Woolford, born —.
- (187) V. Cator Ringgold Woolford, born —.
- (188) VI. Thomas Guy Woolford, born ——.

All these children except the first son are residents of Chattanooga, Tennessee. John S. B. is a physician and Thomas Guy is a lawyer.

All the Woolfords of Dorchester county are descended from Roger Woolford, who settled on the Eastern Shore about 1662, at Manokin, Somerset county. ("History of Dorchester County, Maryland." By Elias Jones. Baltimore, 1902.)

⁽⁹⁰⁾ Thomas Alston Rees (John Ringgold, 48, Jeremiah, John, David), born 25 September, 1839, near Clayton, Delaware; married, 11 December, 1866, Georgianna Griffin, born 30 July, 1841, near Kenton, Delaware, daughter of Samuel Griffin and Elizabeth Wilds.

CHILDREN.

- (189) I. Annie Elizabeth, born 2 February, 1868, in Cecil county, Maryland; died 21 July, 1886, in Cecil county, Maryland.
- (190) II. Ralph Howard, born 31 January, 1871, in Cecil county; married, 27 November, 1895, Elizabeth Woolford, of Dorchester county, Maryland, daughter of Samuel Woolford (brother of J. S. B. Woolford).
- (93) ELIZABETH A. SCOTT (Lydia, 49, Jeremiah, John, David), born May, 1817; died 1 October, 1899; married 3 May, 1842, William Wilds, of Smyrna, Delaware, born 25 April, 1817, son of Nathaniel Wilds and Mary Denny.

- (191) I. Nathaniel Wilds, born 14 February, 1843; died 30 March, 1866.
- (192) II. Robert Scott Wilds, born 29 August, 1845; died 10 November, 1887.
- (193) III. Franklin Plutt Wilds, born 13 September, 1847; died 3 October, 1847.
- (194) IV. Julia Wilds, born 18 September, 1848; died 25 September, 1848.
- (195) V. Samuel Wilds, born 29 July, 1849.

- (196) VI. Charles Wilds, born 7 November, 1851; died 11 October, 1879.
- (197) VII. Mary Elizabeth Wilds, born 29 December, 1854; died 23 November, 1861.
- (198) VIII. William Wilds, born 26 August, 1857.
- (95) David Rees (Thomas Alston, 50, David, John, David), born 7 September, 1840; married Mary Thompson.
- (205) I. Virginia, born ——.
- (206) II. Thomas, born ——.
- (207) III. Katherine, born ——.
- (208) IV. Mary, born ——.
- (209) V. Anna, born —.
- (210) VI. Sarah, born —.
- (211) VII. David Ringgold, born ——.
- (212) VIII. Susan, born ——.
- (213) IX. Charles, born —.

This is the only branch in the male line that has lived continuously near the home of the ancestor. It is told by one of them that none of the earlier Reeses in Delaware reached a greater age than between 40 and 50 years. This statement is true in a general sense, although there were a few exceptions to it. Happily, it can no longer be said of them. The conditions which produced this lessened vitality were undoubtedly in the environments—in the soil

and climate—and not inherent in the family, for the branches that were transplanted west of the Allegheny mountains attained to more than the biblical number of years, in marked contrast to their Delaware cousins.

(98) Thomas Alston Rees (Thomas Alston, 50, David, John, David), born 26 February, 1847; married Julia Woodall, daughter of Henry Woodall and Patience Minner.

CHILDREN.

(214) I. Wilson, born ——.

(215) II. Julian, born —.

(108) HARRY LOREN REES (Willard H., 55, Thomas, John, John, David), born 27 March, 1859; married Felicia Blake.

CHILDREN.

- (216) I. Mona Edith, born 20 October, 1885.
- (217) II. Walter Blake, born 8 August, 1887.

Harry L. Rees was appointed, 3 March, 1899, major in the paymaster's corps, United States Army. He was first stationed in San Francisco, California, and was transferred from thence to the Philippine Islands. His present (1903) station is Portland, Oregon.

(114) Lloyd Osman Rees (Jacob Griffin, 57, Thomas, John, John, David), born 20 September, 1852, in Greenville, Darke county, Ohio; married 21 March, 1889, in Burlington, Coffey county, Kansas, Adah Ann Decker, born 20 January, 1865, in Marion county, Ohio. Residence: Greeley, Kansas.

CHILDREN.

- (218) I. Bonnie Laurie, born 10 January, 1890; died 31 July, 1891.
- (219) II. Lora Marie, born 2 November, 1891.
- (220) III. Griffin McKinley, born 9 March, 1894.

(145) WILLIAM GEORGE TEMPLE (Sarah, 61, William, Sarah, John, David), born —; died, —; married — Roberts, daughter of Colonel Roberts, of near Sudlersville, Queen Anne county, Maryland.

CHILDREN.

- (221) I. William Temple, born ——. He was educated in Rome for the Catholic priesthood, and now resides in Easton, Talbot county, Maryland.
- (222) II. Daughter, born ——, and living in New York city.

William George Temple was educated for a lawyer.

(146) Anna Jane Rees (Philip, 64, Abel, Jeremiah, John, David), born —; married John W. Huffman, of Bridgewater, Rockingham county, Virginia. Residence: Parkersburg, W. Va.

CHILDREN.

- (223) I. Minnie Belle Huffman, born ——; married Albert Fought. One son, William Fought. Residence: Parkersburg, W. Va.
- (224) II. Adah Celia Huffman, born ——.
- (225) III. Theora Estella Huffman, born ——.
- (226) IV. John William Huffman, born ——.
- (147) JACOB LEWIS CASS REES (Philip, 64, Abel, Jeremiah, John, David), born ——; married CLARA TIMS, of Newark, Wirt county, W. Va.

- (227) I. Bertha V., born ——; married John Hall, of Parkersburg, W. Va.
- (228) II. Abner F., born ——; married May Hall, of Parkersburg, W. Va. (One daughter, Beulah Jeanett.)
- (229) III. Georgiana, born ——; married William Stapleton, of Parkersburg.
- (230) IV. Adah, born —.
- (231) V. Lyman G., born ——.

(149) John William Rees (Philip, 64, Abel, Jeremiah, John, David), born ——; married Jerusha Modisette, of Walker's Station, Wood county, W. Va. Residence: Volcano, Wood county, W. Va.

CHILDREN.

- (232) I. Stella, born ——. Residence: Philadelphia, Pa.
- (233) II. Cora, born —; married A. H. Reynolds. Residence: Sistersville,
 Tyler county, W. Va.
- (234) III. Maud, born —.
- (235) IV. Charles, born —.
- (236) V. Charlotta, born ——.
- (237) VI. Okey, born ——.
- (238) VII. Harry, born —.
- (239) VIII. Alice, born ——.
- (150) CAROLINE AGNES REES (Philip, 64, Abel, Jeremiah, John, David), born ——; married John A. Rathbone, of Parkersburg, W. Va. Residence: Reedy Ripple, Wirt county, W. Va.

- (240) I. Walter G. Rathbone, born ——; married Virginia Hopkins, of Palestine, Wirt county, W. Va.
- (241) II. Effie S. Rathbone, born ——.
- (242) III. Martha M. Rathbone, born —.

- (243) IV. Clarence A. Rathbone, born ——. (244) V. Anna B. Rathbone, born ——. (245) VI. Agnes Rathbone, born ——.
- (246) VII. John A. Rathbone, born ——.
- (247) VIII. Vivian L. Rathbone, born ——.
- (248) IX. Justin Rathbone, born ——.
- (153) ROBERT ANDERSON REES (Philip, 64, Abel, Jeremiah, John, David), born —; married Adda Thorne, of Palestine, Wirt county, W. Va. Residence: Reedy Ripple, Wirt county, W. Va.

CHILDREN.

- (249) I. Ruth, born ——.
- (250) II. Elizabeth, born ——.
- (251) III. Glennie, born —.
- (154) LESTER SCHELLENBERGER REES (Philip, 64, Abel, Jeremiah, John, David), born ——; married Pearle Thorne. Residence: Reedy Ripple, Wirt county, W. Va.

- (252) I. Mark M., born ——.
- (155) GERALDINE GERTRUDE REES (Philip, 76, Abel, Jeremiah, John, David), born ——; married Robert H. Wiseman, of Lynncamp, Marshall county, W. Va. Residence: Rover, Wirt county, W. Va.

CHILDREN.

(253) I. Russell E. Wiseman, born ——.

(158) MARY JANE DERRICKSON (William Rees, 81, Jane, Jeremiah, John, David), born October, 1834; died 23 January, 1903; married, 1852, John Garitee.

- (254) I. William Derrickson Garitee, born ——.
- (255) II. Ann Eliza Garitee, born —; married Clayton Robbins Hyer.
- (256) III. Clarence John Garitee, born 26 February, 1873; died 10 August, 1903; unmarried. Matriculated in Biological Department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1888, in the Medical Department, 1889, graduating M.D., 1894. Was prepared at the Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia. From 1894 to 1897 was resident in the Episcopal Hospital; also instructor of diseases of the stomach and intestines at the Philadelphia Polyclinic.

⁽¹⁶⁰⁾ WILLIAM REES DERRICKSON (William Rees, 81, Jane, Jeremiah, John, David), born 3 April, 1842; married Annetta C. Cox.

CHILDREN.

(257)	I.	Anna	Eliza	Derrickson,	${\rm born}$.
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(258) II. Louisa Scott Derrickson, born —.

(259) III. Frances Shephard Derrickson, born

(260) IV. Lena Estelle Derrickson, born —.

(261) V. Elmer Rees Derrickson, born ——.

(183) George W. Woolford (Mary Ellen, 88, John Ringgold, Jeremiah, John, David), born ——; married, (1), Eva Skinner; (2), 17 September, 1895, Sarah W. Mace. Residence: Cambridge, Dorchester county, Md.

CHILDREN.

By first wife:

- (262) I. Milfred Woolford, born ——.
- (263) II. Mabel Woolford, born —.
- (264) III. Miles Woolford, born —.



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